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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application on the merits, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Accompanying this Preliminary Amendment is Exhibit A, a marked up version of the replacement paragraphs of the specification.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 6, at line 22, please amend the paragraph beginning "Figures 7A and B." as follows:

--Figures 7A and B. (A) The amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO. 30) and corresponding nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO. 29) for the consensus light chain variable region ConVL1. (B) The amino acid sequence (SEQ ID NO. 32) and corresponding nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID NO. 31) for the consensus heavy chain variable region ConVH1.--